

Department of the Navy, DoD

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claim file will be forwarded to JAG in accordance with §§ 757.18 (b) and (c).

(b) *Waiver.* The JAG designee may waive the Federal Government's MCRA interest when a responsible third-party tortfeasor cannot be located, is judgment proof, or has refused to pay and litigation is not feasible. Waiver is also appropriate when, upon written request by the injured person or legal representative, it is determined that collection would cause undue hardship to the injured person. In assessing undue hardship, the following circumstances of the injured person should be considered:

- (1) Permanent disability or disfigurement;
- (2) Lost earning capacity;
- (3) Out-of-pocket expenses;
- (4) Financial status;
- (5) Disability, pension and similar benefits available;
- (6) Amount of settlement or award from third-party tortfeasor; and

(7) Any other factors which objectively indicate fairness requires waiver.

(c) *Compromise.* The JAG designee may, upon written request of the injured person or legal representative, compromise the Federal Government's MCRA interest using the criteria listed above.

§ 757.20 Receipt and release.

(a) *Payment.* The JAG designee may receive payment in part or in full for any claim for which he is responsible. Written acknowledgment of this receipt will be mailed to the party making payment and a copy of the acknowledgment kept in the claim file.

(b) *Release.* The JAG designee will execute and deliver a release to third parties making full or compromised payment on the Federal Government's MCRA interest. A copy of the release will be kept in the claims file.